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MEMORANDUM

TO: Michael Fischer
FROM: Linda Locklin *LL*
SUBJECT: Chiate/Wildman/Mancuso easement at
Escondido Beach

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STATE COASTAL COMMISSION
OAKLAND, CALIF.

I was pleased to read your memo as it poignantly reminds us all that the Black TOR money is languishing in the bank while the public is still having trouble finding their way to Escondido Beach. I agree that we need to really examine this easement and determine whether building a trail is feasible or not. My cursory review of the site confirmed that "yes" it will be tricky to build a trail but I lacked any technical information to reach a conclusion. I endorse your idea of hiring a consultant to expand upon the short report prepared years ago by a landscape architect. Seems like having an engineer and even California Conservation Corps personnel look at the site would be extremely helpful. While that (those) consultants are preparing the study, I suggest that Marcia, Joan, Brenda and I look at the other issues — easement language restrictions, outstanding violations by the landowners, promises made by Peter D., etc. My hope is that we will find it feasible to build the trail and that we will not have to entertain the options that Chiate/Wildman have been pushing for years. Alternatives such as "selling" the easement will only create headaches (and lawsuits) for us and will undoubtedly not benefit the public.

Let me know when we can all get together to develop an action plan to (hopefully) resolve this issue.

LL/cm

cc: Peter D.
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